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HOME AND VICINITY.

For prescriptions go to Van's.
Concert at College Hall to-night.
Salsbury's Troubadors Monday night at St. Louis.

Ronk & Daughman have change of adv. this week.
B. S. Webb has a fine line of bibles and testaments.

E. P. Shaffer left Tuesday for Wheeling, West Virginia.
Frank Ward, of Shepard, spent Sunday with his brother G. S.

B. W. Ellison has something sweet in his advertisement for you this week.
Max Pollasky is improving the appearance of his residence by a nice job of grading.

The line shaft at the Excelsior Works broke Wednesday morning causing a days lay off.

Cups and saucers, vases, smoking sets, fancy inkstands, and fine perfumery at Webb's.

N. J. McCullough has moved his family in rooms over his store making very desirable rooms.

The second well at the Sanitarium is completed 160 feet. The third will be from 1100 to 2000.

Arrangements are all made to commence work on the third well at the Sanitarium next Monday.

Mr & Mrs. H. Grote are rejoicing over the arrival, on the morning of the 23th, of a bouncing boy at their house.

Remember the entertainment at College Hall Friday night of next week by Rev. Burt E. Howard and Miss Lelia Stevens.

Prof. Lewis Stuart will give a paper before the State Teachers' Association, December 26, on "The Natural Method of Teaching Language."

Hamlin & Green closed their hoop factory on Wednesday for the season. The winter months are put in repairing and filling the yard with logs for another season.

The T. A. A. & N. M. will sell excursion tickets, from all stations at one and one-third for round trip, will be sold Dec. 24th, 25th and 31st, and Jan. 1st.

The Alma Record was a mighty good paper last week. The editor was sick all the week, however, and that may have had something to do with it.—Detroit Evening Journal. Thanks.

Not much cheek shown by the parties running the Christmas dance at Ithaca, to draw a crowd they advertise music by the Alma orchestra, when the facts are they have not engaged them.

What can you give a foreign friend for a Christmas present better than a years subscription to the RECORD. Twelve such presents were made last year, who will start it this Christmas?

The Record office presses will make 100,000 impressions this week and the same number next week, but bring on your job work, we won't be buried, as there are lots of printers who want work.

The Alma Excelsior Co. are becoming famous. They received an order last week from Indianapolis for 6 car loads of Excelsior cars were shipped Saturday and 3 on Monday last, and still they are happy.

Presents cheap at postoffice Book Store.

Rev. J. W. Peach visited Grand Lodge last week.

Lockwood & Moore will move to their new store the first of next week.

Porter has some new attractions for Christmas. Call and see them.

Smallpox is reported at several Michigan, towns the nearest is Owosso.

All parties indebted to E. P. Shaffer will find notice elsewhere in this paper.

W. A. Bahlke was in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday on professional business.

Rev. Burt E. Howard and Miss Stevens' entertainment is patiently waited for.

For plush novelties, Christmas cards and fine box paper go to B. S. Webb's drug store.

The rhetorical exercises at the College next Wednesday night at 7:30 are public all invited.

Remember the entertainment at College hall next Tuesday night. It promises to be the event of the season.

A learned doctor gives as a reason for so much sickness, that most people eat with their jaws instead of their judgment.

Prof. E. M. Hopkins, of Durand formerly of Alma, lost an infant son six weeks old. The child died of heart disease, Nov. 10.

Fred Maycock has opened a new stock of groceries in the Suydam building and invites all, through an adv. on another page, to call and see him.

Mrs. T. J. Webb has her dry goods stock nicely located in the Suydam building with the new groceryman, Fred Maycock. She invites all to call and see her.

We can give the lowest possible club rates on any newspaper or magazine published in the United States. Call and see us before placing your reading matter for 1889.

Members of the old Third Michigan Infantry in Gratiot county will be interested in the fact that a reunion of that famous regiment will be held at Grand Rapids Dec. 19.

John Miller, the party who burglarized St. Louis houses of late, and who Dep. Sheriffs Willard and Strong captured at Alma, has been sentenced to three years at Jackson.

C. S. Brown the popular traveling salesman for the Chicago Newspaper Union, has issued a very handsome New Years card to his customers. We are in receipt of one.

T. A. Johnson has bought the Hulse lot, corner of Center and Forest street. He intends to build a residence there next summer. The location is a very desirable one for the purpose.

The social at D. R. Sullivan's last Friday night was the event of the season. The house was crowded full and all report a grand time. Mr. S. and wife delight in entertaining their friends and they know how it is done.

Alma ahead again! This time it is Peaches. What other place can boast of peaches weighing 10 lbs? There was one left at the M. E. parsonage last Sunday morning that we believe would pull a ten pound weight up. What's the matter with Elder P. that he wears such a smile? Congratulations are in order.

Invitations are out for Grand Opening of the Pollasky Hall, Dec. 25, by a social hop. Alma Orchestra has been engaged and it will be the event of the season. The hall is large, commodious and nicely furnished with new floor. Stating that Simon Messinger is the manager is sufficient to guarantee a grand time.

T. A. Miller in the P. O. book store has by far the largest line of Christmas presents in Alma. Fine plush cases, plush albums, scrap books, autographs, gift books, juveniles, 300 12mos miscellaneuous authors, Christmas cards, and a fine line of booklets now more popular than ever. Many of the presents will be sold at cost. Do not fail to call there if you want to buy cheap.

The farmer who howls for protection and leaves his farm implements and machinery out of doors at the mercy of the elements the year round, cannot be protected by any amount of tariff. The mortgage on his farm will never grow beautifully less, and scripture will be illustrated: "That unto every one that hath shall be given, and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken from him."

Bro. Vandercok has a severe pain over our report of the Smith-Pollasky suit in our last issue. We were not present at the drama, but we got it from several who were present, and especially an attorney at Ithaca, who, by the way, undoubtedly knows as much about it as Vandercok or the Journal's reporter, and we have nothing to take back or say about the subject, only we would like to know how much Van gets for this week's gas.

For an extra 5c cigar go to Van's.
The cheapest place, postoffice Book Store.

Mrs. Geo. Abbott is very sick with fever.

T. A. Miller spent Sunday at Swartz Creek.

Van's new Perfumes are great, finest line in the county.

S. H. Loveland, was in Saginaw Tuesday on business.

C. H. Coats and family visited Mrs. W. S. Turck Sunday last.

Bert Hayes, of Sheridan, visited Bert Woodward Tuesday night.

Salsbury's Troubadors at Holcomb's Opera House, St. Louis, next Monday night. Everybody goes.

Miss Ida Woodworth of Eaton Rapids is the guest of her sister Mrs. A. J. Hall this week.

Geo. Insley, of St. Louis, was sentenced to 90 days at Ionia last week, for assault and battery.

Miss Matilda Ross was elected one of the Vice Presidents at the S. S. convention at Saginaw last week.

Bro. Coutant, of the Mt. Pleasant Enterprise, paid us a call Monday, while on his return home from Greenville.

The Pollasky Bros. v. Dunn's Commercial Agency suit, called in U. S. court this week, has been adjourned to Jan. 3rd.

Children's illuminated books, Red Line poems, padded poems, games, photograph and scrap albums at B. S. Webb's.

Mrs. E. P. Shaffer has taken rooms over Rogers's grocery store, where she will receive her customers, inviting all to call and see her.

Gen. Alger has been elected treasurer of the committee which is going to erect an equestrian statue of Gen. Sheridan at Washington.

Subscribe for the Grand Rapids Daily Democrat, the leading daily in western Michigan, with the largest circulation, arrives in Alma at 10:00 a. m. Furnished by T. A. Miller at 12 1/2 cents per week.

Mathew Johnson, an old pioneer and well known and respected citizen of Pine River, is quite ill at this writing. He is eighty-three years old and his recovery is regarded as doubtful.

A stray cat was captured near the school house last Monday, chloroformed and dissected before the Physiology class at the Union school showing the workings of the heart and lungs. The cat was the property of Mrs. Jennings.

People seldom make a mistake when they patronize firms which advertise liberally. Men who take the trouble to ask you for your patronage and tell you of the bargains they have, are as a rule the men who give you low prices and save you cash.

Manager Seymour has bills out for Monday night, Dec. 17, announcing Salsbury's Troubadors in "The Humming Bird." It is useless for us to waste space on this troupe as the reputation of this company is so well known that it is only necessary to announce the date. It is the finest ever billed at St. Louis.

As the long winter evenings draw near lovers of good reading should remember we have a Ladies' Library with 500 volumes of choice selections from the best authors. The cost is merely nothing, \$1.00 per year. Their rooms are nicely located one door South of the Angell House. Open Saturday p. m. 3 to 4 o'clock and 7 to 8. The ladies desire to put in some new works and want all new members both ladies and gents possible.

Prof. H. E. Speedy, of Detroit, announces that he will organize a Dancing school in Alma Monday evening Dec. 17th. Prices for six lessons as follows: Gents, \$3.00; ladies, \$2.50; children, \$2.00; for twelve lessons, gents, \$5.00 ladies, \$4.00; children, \$3.00.

He comes highly recommended as an instructor by those who are personally acquainted with him.

On Tuesday evening a number of Alma's citizens met at the college chapel to organize a local circle of the Chautauqua literary scientific circle.

A very pleasant evening was spent and the following officers elected: President, A. W. Wright; vice-presidents, Mrs. C. L. Downie, Mrs. Kendall Brooks, Mrs. H. Brewbaker; Mrs. W. S. Turck, Rev. Geo. F. Hunting, D. D., Prof. O. J. Stiwell, E. B. Green, J. L. Clark; corresponding secretary, Miss J. D. Marsh; recording secretary, M. L. Faugner; treasurer, Miss E. G. Carey. Next meeting to be held on the 8th of January, 1889. This circle places within the reach of all a source of much enjoyment and profit.

NOTICE.
All parties having accounts with E. P. Shaffer please call and settle as soon as possible with
Mrs. E. P. Shaffer.
Rooms over Rogers's store.

Riverdale Chips.
Mrs. W. D. Strong has been on the sick list for some time.

Mr. Shaffer is building a fine Shingle dock for storing and shipping.

W. D. Strong has been in St. Johns and Ionia part of this week on business.

W. T. Pitt was in Riverdale on Thursday, calling on all his old friends.

Pugilistic encounters seem to be the order of the day for the past week in this place. Full particulars next time.

W. H. Taft has returned from his visit to Lansing and Grand Rapids; will remain in town about two weeks.

The merchants here claim that business of all kinds is extremely dull just now. Too much Indian Summer for lively times.

Mr. Fred Church, of Ithaca, was in Riverdale on Wednesday on a business trip north where he is interested in a number of farms.

Mr. Fleming has returned from his trip to Tawas City near where he has a shingle mill in operation. Reports business lively up there.

Mr. John Adams had the misfortune to get his fingers caught in a chain on a sawing machine. He can't play guitar music at all for the present.

Our deputy sheriff Strong seems to be about done up since his race after the burglar on Sunday last, but there was consolation in the fact that he caught his victim very good indeed for first attempt.

Mr. Shaffer is evidently a believer that more prosperous times are in store for us under a protective tariff, for he is out hustling around after all the timber that is for sale. We hope shingles will take an upward turn.

The guitar and banjo class are just getting interested in their studies since the teacher has formed the whole lot into an orchestra. Outside parties admit that they make very nice music indeed. Mr. Amsden is bringing them forward very rapidly, and thinks something of taking them to Washington to play at the inauguration on March 4th.

Last Sunday eve a lady in this village was asking her oldest boy, a boy of ten years questions from the Bible such as "who was the oldest man?" answered of course Methuselah and "who was the wisest man?" answer, Solomon. But when she asked "who was the strongest man?" a young lad about four years said, mamma I know who was the strongest man, it was Mr. Amsden.

The safe of W. B. Lothrop & Co. was burglarized on Sunday night by parties unknown. They entered by breaking in a back window and after a long siege managed to crack the safe but succeeded in getting only the sum of \$10.41 in cash no other goods in the store were taken. The burglars evidently expected to get a good haul in cash.

The Women's Aid Society, of Alma, will meet with Mrs. Brewbaker next Wednesday at two o'clock. Every lady is requested to bring a needle, thread, trimble and scissors. All parties having any cast off clothing are here furnished an opportunity to turn them to good account. Bring them in. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. E. M. REYNOLDS, Sec'y.

ENTERTAINMENT.
Burt E. Howard—Miss Lelia A. Stevens.

The entertainment at the College Chapel on Tuesday evening next, will be one in every way worthy of Alma. Mr. Howard is one of the most cultivated men in our State. He has made a brilliant record for himself as a pulpit orator and is pastor of one of the most influential churches in the State. As an electionist he is not so well known, but those who have heard him in this role affirm that his expression of thought and feeling, of every sort and shade is thoroughly artistic. His voice, naturally good, is thoroughly trained, and his selections are well adapted to exhibit the wondrous power of the human voice.

No words are needed to tell Alma audiences of the charm, refinement and grace seen and felt in everything done by Miss Lelia A. Stevens.

Through the kindness of our popular express agent Geo. Yerington, we receive the report of the receipts of the express office the two weeks of November 1878 and the same weeks ending 1888, ten years later, this not only shows the increase of the office, but shows that Alma is getting to the front.

Total amount for two weeks ending November 30, 1878:—
Goods received \$8 10
" prepaid, 0 00
\$ 8 10

Goods forwarded 3 10
Goods forwarded prep'd 0 00
3 10

Total Receipts - - \$ 20
S. B. HEVERLO, Agt.

Total amount for two weeks ending Nov. 30 1888:—
Goods received \$75 75
prep'd 27 43
\$103 18

Goods forwarded 23 00
" " prep'd 7 10
30 10

Total Receipts - - \$133 28
For 21 money orders sold \$204 94
" " " 119 94

GEO. H. YERINGTON, Agt.
How is this for a comparison.

TO OUR COLLEGE FRIENDS.
College closes next Friday noon.

Everything is flowing as smoothly as water down hill at the College.

On account of illness Dr. Nelson was unable to give his lecture this week.

Christmas holidays are looked forward to with fond anticipation by many.

Dr. McCorkle gave a short but very pleasing talk to the students Wednesday morning.

Great literary and musical program by the students next Wednesday evening at the Chapel.

Revs. Dr. Bruske, of Saginaw, and Dr. McCorkle, of Ypsilanti, were visitors at the College this week.

Ten applications have been made to Miss Ross for teachers recently. Such is the result of efficient kindergarten training.

The morning services at the church last Sunday were very impressive. About twenty students united with the church.

J. McCua fell into the river while skating the other day, and had it not been for timely assistance, would probably have been drowned.

The Chautauqua meeting held in the Chapel Tuesday night was largely attended. A strong organization was perfected with A. W. Wright as president. With such a business man at the head it must inevitably flourish.

Dr. I. N. Brainard, M. D.'s medical association at the Wright House parlors Wednesday, was a total failure, attended by only four and their ladies, out of the 36 members of the association. Unlike some of his other undertakings, too large for his caliber, magnificent dinner was spread at the Wright House for thirty, guaranteed.

LIFE INSURANCE.

B. Lazell, of Saginaw, superintendent of Agencies for the Michigan Mutual Benefit Association of Hillsdale, Mich., has been in this city for a few days working in the interests of that company, and has organized a local board, as follows:

President—C. F. Brown.
Secretary—Fred Hale.
Treasurer—F. D. Ely.

Medical Examiners—E. A. Bagley, M. D., M. Hall, M. D.
Advisory Board—Prof. L. Stuart, Bart Miller and F. S. Butcher.
Collector—F. D. Ely.

Agent—John H. Norton.

The company is one of the oldest of the kind in the state (ten years of age). Have paid 84 assessments and paid 101 death losses. The assessments run from fifty-one cents to one dollar and forty-three cents on each \$1,000 of policy, said company paying all losses in full, as the law requires. We give as a reason why so many in our state are taking this insurance is the well known fact that, as a rule, but few men are laying up but little, if anything, for their families over and above their running expenses; hence the necessity of this home protection. You protect me and I will you is a motto if lived up to would provide for all of our loved ones, and would furnish good homes for them after we are dead and gone. We now have a membership here of about 30 or more and a live and energetic agent, John H. Norton, who will be pleased to give you any information in regard to our plan of work and write an application of membership for you, which will cost you but very little when compared to old-time companies or their new spangled and glittering plans of endowment and tonteen which but very few are able to invest in. Do not delay this very important matter of protection but give it your earliest attention while our board is being organized at reduced prices.

B. LAZELL, Supt. Ag'ts.

Special Notices.

Children's hats at 25c to 50c, at Mrs. Messingers.

O. J. Stillwell has two farms which he wishes to exchange for village property in Alma.

G. B. Porter's new Holiday goods are great, useful, ornamental, and very cheap.

For the next ten days we will sell all our hats and bonnets at a great discount. Mrs. Messinger.

Leather mittens in different varieties, also a good line of gloves at bottom prices at W. R. Kinch's.

Men's, women's, misses', and children's rubbers, also lumbermen's rubbers at the lowest prices at W. R. Kinch's.

Great reduction in all woolen underwear, woolen hose, men's socks and cotton hosiery. Red flannel at a great sacrifice. Millinery at a great reduction. Our goods must go at some price. Call and see us before purchasing.

J. L. MILLER.

TURKEYS,

—GIVEN AWAY—
From December 1st to December 25th,

The Bee Hive stores

Will present each purchaser of a Suit of Clothes, Overcoat, Cloak, Fine Dress Pattern, or any other kind of Dry Goods, Clothing, or Boots and Shoes, amounting to

\$10.00,

—OR OVER, A—
Fine Christmas Turkey,

Or a check calling for one on CHRISTMAS DAY.

Also a lot of 200 Chickens, Ducks and Geese will be given to purchasers of \$5.00 and over.

At the same time we will be pleased to show you the handsomest line of Goods for the Holidays to be found in the city.

When you buy a Holiday Present be sure and get something "Useful as Well as Ornamental," as the person for whom it is intended can better appreciate such a present. We can show you for this class of presents

A HANDSOME LINE OF FINE

Seal Plush Sacks, from \$20 to \$25, that others ask from \$5 to \$10 more for same quality of goods.

Ladies' and Children's Cloaks, Wraps and Jackets at equally reduced prices during the Holiday season.

In answer to the often repeated question, "What shall I buy for a Present that Will be Most appreciated?" we would say, "look over the following list and you will be sure to find just what you want!"

A nice suit of Clothes, a Fine Overcoat, a Handsome Fur or Plush Cap, a suit of Nice Underwear, a Fine Derby or Soft Hat, a pair of Fine Shoes, a stylish Silk Tie, a Handsome Silk or Worsted Muffler, a fine pair of Rolled Plate Sleeve Buttons or Stud, a Fine Shirt, Collar or Cuffs, a pair of Cloth, Knit, Kid or Buck Gloves, a handsome Plush Sack or Wrap, a fine Cloak, Wrap or Jacket, a Stylish Dress Pattern with Trimmings of all kinds (flannel, cashmere, worsted, gingham or prints), a pair of Ladies' or Children's Fine Shoes, a handsome pair of Embroidered or Plain Slippers, a fine pair of Felt Shoes, Slippers or Overshoes, a dandy Turkish Drape, Table or Commode Cover, a fine pair of Towels, Napkins or Table Cloths, a fine pair of Gloves or Mittens, a comfortable Woolen Skirt, a handsome Beaver, single or double, Shawl, a nice Toboggan, Fascinator or Hood, a handsome set of Lace Curtains and Poles a nice Carpet, Smyrna Rug or Floor Oil Cloth, a fine pair of Blankets or Comfortables, Ladies' Misses' and Children's Hosiery, Leggings, etc., and a thousand other articles too numerous to mention, but which will be found at The

Bee Hive Stores

In the Latest Styles, Freshest Goods and Best Qualities, and all at a sweeping reduction of

10 to 25 Per Cent.

Lower than all dealers can make you during the Holiday Season.

We are loaded with the above goods and want to shove them off "during the Rush," hence this Great Reduction.

Pollasky Bros.